IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA CHARLOTTE DIVISION

MAACO FRANCHISOR SPV, LLC, AS SUCCESSOR-IN-INTEREST TO MAACO FRANCHISING, LLC

Civil Action No. 3:18-CV-461-MOC-DCK

MOTION FOR CLERK'S DEFAULT

Plaintiff,

VS.

CIPERCEN, LLC, A TEXAS LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, JORGE CEREIJO, INDIVIDUALLY, AND ANDRES BURZACO, INDIVIDUALLY,

Defendants.

Plaintiff, MAACO FRANCHISOR SPV, LLC, AS SUCCESSOR-IN-INTEREST TO MAACO FRANCHISING, LLC (hereinafter referred to as "Maaco"), by and through undersigned counsel and pursuant to *Fed.R.Civ.P.* 55, hereby moves the Clerk to enter default against Defendant JORGE CEREIJO ("Cereijo"), and as grounds states as follows:

- 1. Cereijo was served with process in this matter on September 5, 2018. A true and correct copy of the Return of Service for Cereijo is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit "A."**
- 2. Pursuant to Rule 12, *Fed.R.Civ.P.*, a party has twenty-one (21) days to serve a responsive pleading from the date of service.
- 3. Consequently, Cereijo's response to the Complaint was due on or before September 26, 2018.
- 4. To date, Cereijo has failed to serve or file a responsive pleading or otherwise taken any steps to defend this action.

- 5. Under Rule 55, *Fed.R.Civ.P.*, the clerk must enter a default against a party when they have failed to plead or otherwise defend an action seeking a judgment for affirmative relief.
- 6. In the case at hand, Plaintiff is seeking a judgment for damages against Defendant Cereijo.
- 7. Cereijo is not currently serving as active military personnel. A Declaration of Non-Military Service is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit "B."**
 - 8. As a result, default against Defendant Cereijo is proper at this time.

WHEREFORE Plaintiff, MAACO FRANCHISOR SPV, LLC, respectfully requests that the Clerk issue a Default against Defendant Joseph Cereijo.

Dated October 11, 2018.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing MOTION FOR CLERK's DEFAULT was served upon all parties of record by electronically filing a copy of the same with the Court's ECF filing system which will send electronic notice by e-mail to:

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